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IOWA 911 COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL — NOVEMBER 2019

Meeting. The Iowa 911 Communications Council met on November 14, 2019, at the Des Moines Parks and Recreation Board Room in Des Moines.

911 Program Financial Reports and Program Update. Blake DeRouchey, 911 Program Manager, provided the Council with the following updates on the 911 Program and its current financial standing:

GIS Grants Update. In October 2019, 10 counties received Geographic Information System (GIS) grants totaling \$72,000. Funding is contingent on verification that the applicant possesses 98.0% match rates with GIS and 95.0% match rates with Automatic Location Identifier (ALI). Year-to-date for FY 2020, 42 counties have received GIS funding for a total of \$276,000.

911 Council Travel, Public Education, and Training Fund. Mr. DeRouchey shared that as of November 14, the Council has approved a total of \$51,200 to be distributed from the 911 Council Travel, Public Education, and Training Fund. Approximately \$100,000 is allocated toward the Fund annually. The current Fund balance totals \$35,556. At the November 2019 meeting, four requests for training funds were made:

- National Emergency Number Association (NENA) Fall Conference Speaker: \$3,250
- Linn County, Complacency, Cannibalism, and Critical Thinking Training: \$12,000
- Association of Public Safety Communications (APCO) Post Spring Conference Power of Peer Support Training: \$5,725
- Cerro Gordo County, 911's Least Wanted/Am I Just a Dispatcher Training: \$8,000

Additionally, the Council was reminded of two additional upcoming APCO trainings and one NENA training that require the Council's approval for funding. Mr. DeRouchey noted that with the approval of funding for the above trainings, the Council Travel, Public Education, and Training Fund has the potential to end the fiscal year at a deficit of approximately \$4,000. After a discussion of potential options to reduce this deficit, the Council voted to reduce the training fund requests for the following trainings:

- Linn County Training: \$9,840
- APCO Post Spring Conference Training: \$4.964.50
- Cerro Gordo County Training: \$6,560

Zetron Mission Critical Communications Solutions Contract Update. Cody Brink, Zetron Area Sales Manager, discussed Zetron's work in updating the 113 existing Public Safety Answering Point (PSAPs) in delivering the Next Generation 911 (NG911) solution to enhance public safety services across the State. The lowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management awarded Zetron with an NG911 contract in December 2017. Zetron provides a call-taking system that offers CAD, 911 mapping, and emergency medical dispatch software in implementing NG911 protocols and systems.

Henry County deployed the Zetron communications platform on November 13, 2019. The Department of Public Safety, located in Des Moines, in conjunction with the Johnston Armory, plans to deploy the technology in December 2019. The table below depicts a timeline of current and future Zetron technology deployment events. The green lines depict Zetron working actively toward a confirmed deployment date. The yellow lines depict a target deployment date, and the blue lines depict a probable timeframe

depending on various factors still being worked on or currently on hold, with a new deployment date not yet determined.

Current and Future Zetron Contract Deployment Timeline



Source: Zetron Presentation, 911 Communications Council Meeting, November 14, 2019

Next Meeting. The next Council meeting will be at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, December 12, 2019, at West Des Moines City Hall.

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